# **P-20 Council Meeting Notes**

Buena Vista Conference Center Tuesday, January 8, 2013

#### Welcome

Deputy Secretary of Education David Blowman welcomed Council members and explained that Secretary Murphy was unable to attend.

Members present: Donna Johnson, David Blowman, Paul Harrell, Bruce Dacey, Rebecca Taber, Laurel Lichty, Kelly Sherretz, Kendall Massett, Deb Stevens, Kimberley Sudler, Alton Thompson, Kim Joyce, Deborah Gottschalk, Vivian Rapposelli, Patricia Dwyer, Jim Wilson, Peggy Bottorff, Nicholas Marsini, Yvonne Johnson, Rhonda Ringer. Others present: Joan Buttram, Mike Oboryshko.

Donna Johnson, Executive Director for the State Board of Education, provided an overview of the meeting agenda noted that the bulk of the discussion would focus on the Council's research agenda.

## Early Childhood Council Strategic Plan Update

Kelly Sherretz from the Council on Early Care and Education provided background information on the strategic plan. It has four goals: whole child health and development, high quality programming, an aligned birth to age 9 early learning system and comprehensive early childhood system. She noted that this was the third draft and it is currently out for public comment. It is hoped that the Early Childhood Council in would approve the plan in February. The plan would then be presented to IRMC in March and forwarded to Governor's Office. P-20 Council members were asked to provide any comments prior to the deadline.

#### **Data Governance Subcommittees Updates**

Ms. Johnson provided a brief update on the three Data Governance Subcommittees. She noted that the summaries were available online.

### P-20 Research Agenda

Joan Buttram from the University of Delaware provided an overview of her presentation to the Council in October which focused on identifying goals for Early Childhood, K-12, Post Secondary, and Workforce. There was discussion on where the Council's research agenda efforts should focus. Ms. Buttram highlighted what P-20 Councils are doing in other states. She posed six broad questions:

How well are our students doing? How well are our students being prepared for the next stage? What factors contribute to students' early childhood program success? What factors contribute to students' K-12 success?
What factors contribute to students' post secondary success?
What factors contribute to students' successful transition to employment?

The Council members discussed the amount of data that is available and other resources that could be used.

Ms. Johnson will send out a survey tool to the Council members with the core questions from the discussion. The Council can use this information as it defines its research agenda at its next meeting. Also at the next meeting the Council will be provided with an update on the Early Learning Challenge Grant, efforts on transition from high school to college as well as the Graduation Rate/Drop Out Report that is being presented to the State Board in January.